

## A Journey through Asia.

Colourful images, costumes, music, puppets, objects and stories are all utilized in this hands-on interactive adventure into the exciting continent of Asia.

Though "Asian Exploration" looks at Asia as a whole it also focuses on a number of individual Asian countries.

Karina first tells of her personal experiences in Asia. She remembers how as a child she visited Malaysia and the Batu caves. Today the site is towered over by an enormous statue of Lord Murugan. While nowhere near the size of the real statue, Karina's statue of Murugan is no less impressive.

Have a camera ready as there are a number of opportunities for you to photograph children with a variety of Asian artefacts as Karina involves children throughout this memorable presentation.

Some children are called up on stage to model a collection of Asian hats, from the very practical coolie to a very elaborate and all but impossible to wear shell covered headwear from Pakistan.

The landlocked country of Laos is well worth a visit to meet one of the local monkeys, the Douc Langurs. Everyone will fall in love with this lesser known Asian primate. They have been called the cutest monkey in the world.

With the help of lots of volunteers, Karina's finale is a re-creation of an Asian New Year celebration. It is quite an event. Children get to parade carrying lanterns, good luck symbols and imitation fireworks while others get to operate the very elaborate dragon that is over 3 metres long. Please note that Karina will ask for one of your educators to wear and operate the large Foo Lion. It really is worth the effort but far too big for a child to wear.

"Asian Exploration" is thoroughly entertaining and engaging and is designed to leave the participants with vivid lasting impressions and insights into the culture and day to day lives of Australia's northern neighbours.

## What pre-schools have said:

It was upbeat, informative and heaps of fun. Loved the costumes - Karina worked well with the students.

Very Engaging - Lots of audience participation. Humour was appropriate and understood by all children. Karina was friendly and had strong knowledge of the subject.

She was fabulous - very engaging with the kids, we loved her with Shake and loved her with Asian Experience.

Sabrina Vandersteen. Blair Athol Child Care Centre. Blair Athol. NSW.

**Price:** \$6.60 per child or \$396 (GST included) whichever is the greater.

**Suitable:** 2 to 6 year olds.

Times: Show: 45 minutes. Set up: 40 minutes. Pack up: 40 minutes.

**Requires** an indoor performing area 4m deep x 5m wide.

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